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**Branham et al.** )  
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For: **Water Dispersible, Cationic Polymers,** )  
**A Method of Making Same and Items** )  
**Using Same** )

Art Unit: 1771

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RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 6, 2002, applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-41 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-41 are the subject of an election/restriction requirement. In response to this requirement, applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, which comprises Claims 1-9, 11, 13 and 15 drawn to a polymer and polymer composition.

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